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## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

During the Prayers of Intercession, you are invited to add your own prayer(s) either in speech or in silence as indicated by the line: "Other intercessions may be added here."You may wish to use this insert to write down your prayer(s)which you may then offer aloud during that time. If you wish to have your prayers added to the Prayer of the Church during the coming weeks, please remove and place this card in the offering plate.

# ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024 • 10:15 a.m.

Apparently not satisfied by Jesus' feeding of thousands, some who were there press him for a sign of his power; perhaps it is daily manna they want. As always in John's Gospel when people want a sign, Jesus offers himself. He is the bread come from heaven to give life to the world. He calls us to come to him and believe in him, and through that relationship to know the One who sent him.

# **HOLY COMMUNION**

# **EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN WORSHIP, SETTING FOUR, PAGES 147-155**

\*GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

\*WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

based upon Psalm 8 and Genesis 1

"O Lord, our Lord, the majesty of your name fills the earth! Your glory is higher than the heavens." We gather to praise you!

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth..."

"O Lord, our Lord, the majesty of your name fills the earth! Your glory is higher than the heavens." We gather to celebrate you! "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth... And God saw that it was good..." We gather to celebrate our God.

"O Lord, our Lord, the majesty of your name fills the earth! Your glory is higher than the heavens." We gather to worship you! "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth..." And God saw that it was very good..." We gather to worship our God! All praise, honor, majesty and power belongs to our Creating God! Amen

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**\*ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS** 

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

Trusting God's promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sin against God and one another.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.

Let us pray.

Eternal God our creator, in you we live and move and have our being. Look upon us, your children, the work of your hands. Forgive us all our offenses, and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires. By your grace draw us near to you, our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us. In the mercy of almighty God, Christ died for us while we still were sinners; and for his sake, God + forgives us all our sins. **Amen** 



- 1 God of the fertile fields, shaper of earth that yields our daily bread: forth from your bounteous hand come gifts your love has planned, that all in ev'ry land be clothed and fed.
- 2 We would be stewards true, holding in trust from you all that you give; help us in love to share, teach us like you to care for people ev'rywhere, that all may live.
- 3 As grows the hidden seed to fruit that serves our need, so your reign grows. Let all our toil be used, no gift of yours abused, no humble task refused your love bestows.
- God of the countryside, dear to the Christ who died to make us one: we pledge our lives anew in faithful love to you. Guide all we say and do. Your will be done.

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#### \*GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. And also with you. \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen** 

# Word

God speaks to us in Scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15 A food crisis becomes a faith crisis for the Israelites in the wilderness. The hungry people forget God's saving work in the exodus, and they wish for the food they had in Egypt. Nevertheless, God miraculously meets their needs, with manna for bread and quail for meat.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

## PSALM

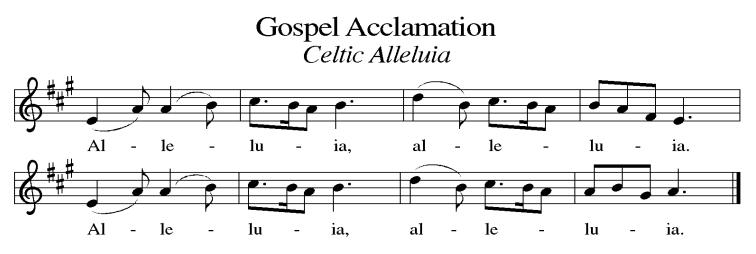
Prayed responsively by the leader and congregation.

Yet he commanded the skies above, and opened the doors of heaven;
he rained down on them manna to eat, and gave them the grain of heaven.
Mortals ate of the bread of angels; he sent them food in abundance.
He caused the east wind to blow in the heavens, and by his power he led out the south wind;
he rained flesh upon them like dust, winged birds like the sand of the seas;
he let them fall within their camp, all around their dwellings.
And they ate and were well filled, for he gave them what they craved.

SECOND READING Ephesians 4:1-16 Christians share fundamental unity and diversity. Our unity consists in the one body, one Spirit, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God. Our diversity is expressed in various forms of ministry whose goal is equipping the saints and building up Christ's one body.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 78:23-29



Verses may be sung by a leader. Then the alleluia is repeated.

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#### \*GOSPEL READING

Mark 1:14-20 *(not printed on worship folder)* 

## The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark... Glory to you, O Lord.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you fish for people.' And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Sarah Hinlicky Wilson

- 1 Lord, whose love in humble service bore the weight of human need, who upon the cross, forsaken, worked your mercy's perfect deed: we, your servants, bring the worship not of voice alone, but heart; consecrating to your purpose ev'ry gift which you impart.
- 2 Still your children wander homeless; still the hungry cry for bread; still the captives long for freedom; still in grief we mourn our dead. As you, Lord, in deep compassion healed the sick and freed the soul, by your Spirit send your power to our world to make it whole.
- 3 As we worship, grant us vision, till your love's revealing light in its height and depth and greatness dawns upon our quickened sight, making known the needs and burdens your compassion bids us bear, stirring us to ardent service, your abundant life to share.
- 4 Called by worship to your service, forth in your dear name we go, to the child, the youth, the aged, love in living deeds to show; hope and health, good will and comfort, counsel, aid and peace we give, that your servants, Lord, in freedom may your mercy know and live.

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## \*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Gathered by the Holy Spirit and fed by the Word, we come together as the people of God to pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

We pray for the church. Raise up prophets, evangelists, pastors, missionaries, teachers, and others who equip the saints for the work of ministry and build up the body of Christ. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

We pray for the restoration of your creation to the beauty you intend. Send rain for the fields so that crops grow and wildlife flourishes. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

We pray for leaders around the world. Call them to lead with patience, humility, wisdom, compassion and gentleness, bearing with one another in love. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for refugees, families who are separated because of war, medical personnel, and emergency workers. We pray for all who are dying, hospitalized, or ill this day, especially... Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

We pray for this congregation, that it be ready to reach out to and welcome those you send to us. We pray for all guests and visitors, those who long for connection with a community, and those who are searching for meaning in their lives. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

## Other prayers may be offered here in speech and silence.

We give thanks for the saints with whom we are united in Baptism, remembering especially those whom we name.... Sustain us in our lives of faith until we gather with them at the heavenly banquet. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Into your hands, loving and merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the grace of Jesus our Lord and Savior. Amen

#### \*PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.

#### Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

## **\*OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Let us pray. Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen** 

\*DIALOGUE



#### \*PREFACE FOR SUNDAYS AFTER PENTECOST

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

\*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



#### **\*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign. You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory.

We praise you for the grace shown to your people in every age: the promise to Israel, the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the words of the prophets; and, at this end of all the ages, the gift of your Son, who proclaimed the good news in word and deed and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.** 

Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast. **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**  Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we who share in Christ's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light. **Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.** 

Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen

#### \*LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit let us pray as Jesus taught us. Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

#### \*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The risen Christ invites us to this table. Come, eat and be satisfied.

\*BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. Amen

\*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the Real Presence of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen** 

#### SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

#### \*BENEDICTION

The blessing of the living God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, surround and sustain you, keep you from harm, and fill you with courage. **Amen** 

#### \*SENDING HYMN

We All Are One in Mission

- We all are one in mission; we all are one in call, our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all. A single great commission compels us from above to plan and work together that all may know Christ's love.
- 2 We all are called for service, to witness in God's name. Our ministries are diff'rent; our purpose is the same: to touch the lives of others with God's surprising grace, so ev'ry folk and nation may feel God's warm embrace.

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3 Now let us be united, and let our song be heard. Now let us be a vessel for God's redeeming Word. We all are one in mission; we all are one in call, our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.

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\*DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. **Thanks be to God.** 



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# IN THE PRAYERS...

*Members of the Congregation:* Helen Gaydusek, Karole Gaydusek, Elaine Haase, Bettye Harden, Luddy Kovalsky, Rev. James Kuemmerle, Mildred Mendel and Mary Sasuta. *Friends and Relatives of the Congregation:* Betty Bartel, Kurt Behrendt, Wally Bisping, Dan and Mary Costello, Eric Dennison, Marilyn Dunne, Tom Duran, Barbara Dykes, Denise Fricano, Walid Jabbar, Ron Kelly, Nicole Kisiel, Lenyce Lawrenson, Delores Linden, Darlene Loughlin, Michele Mason, Julie Mroz, Donald Neal, Gail Purcell, Tim Richard, Becky Rosas, Mary Lee Rosland, Sandy Rossella, Stevie Singer, Peter Spilotro, Kathy Stenson, Jim Sward and Janie Tarbox.

## Current, Benevolence and Freewill Offering July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Weekly Budgeted Offering for 2024:\$2,615.00Offering Received for the Above Categories:\$.00Shortage:\$.00



Andrew and Sarah and Zeke

Today we welcome the Wilson's, Dr. Andrew L. Wilson and the Rev. Dr. Sarah Hinlicky Wilson who serve as one of two ELCA missionary couples sponsored by the congregation at Sts. Peter and Paul. The Wilsons work alongside the Japan Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tokyo. Andrew serves as Professor of Church History at Japan Lutheran College and Seminary, and Sarah is associate pastor at Tokyo Lutheran Church. We are glad and grateful to share the ministry of the Wilsons in Japan! Please join us at a potluck luncheon to welcome our guests and other friends following the service today. A special offering

envelope designed for "Mission" is included in today's service bulletin for support of our sponsored missionaries in Japan and Tanzania.



We also welcome Bob and Priscilla Unruh with their grandson Thad who recently graduated from the 8<sup>th</sup> grade in Abilene, Kansas. The Unruh's are traveling in the Chicago region this week to celebrate Thad's graduation, see the sites, and visit the places where Thad's grandfather and son of this congregation, the late Rev. Frank Pekarek, grew up, went to school, and attended church.

# **UPCOMING COMMEMORATIONS**

# Dominic, founder of the Order of Preachers (Dominicans), died 1221 Thursday, August 8<sup>th</sup>

Dominic was a Spanish priest who saw the wealth of the clergy as a stumbling block for the church, so he formed a movement, the Order of Preachers (commonly called Dominicans) devoted to itinerant preaching and living in poverty.

#### *Lawrence, deacon, martyr, died 258 Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup>*

As one of the seven deacons of the church at Rome, Lawrence was responsible for the church's financial matters and for the care of the poor. Asked by the emperor to gather the church's treasure, he presented a collection of orphans, lepers, and the like. The enraged emperor had him put to death.